

REMARKS

INTRODUCTION:

Claims 1, 2, 12, 13, 38, and 36 are pending and allowed. By this Amendment, claims 3-11, 14-24, 40, 41, 46-49, 60, and 61 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is added.

It is respectfully submitted that entry of this Amendment, which simply cancels 3-11, 14-24, 40, 41, 46-49, 60, and 61, does not involve a reopening of prosecution or a change of scope of the pending claims requiring additional search or consideration by the Examiner. As such, it is respectfully submitted that the amendments are appropriate for approval and entry in an amendment under 37 CFR §1.312 and MPEP 714.16. Consideration and approval of the amendments are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION:

If the Examiner has any remaining issues to be addressed, it is believed that prosecution can be expedited by the Examiner contacting the undersigned attorney for a telephone interview to discuss resolution of such issues.

If there are any additional fees associated with the filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 503333.

Respectfully submitted,

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